

1929 Year Book



OFFICIAL SOUVENIR

GRAND MASONIC CONCLAVE

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR ROYAL ARCH
MASTER MASONS



RICHMOND, INDIANA, AUGUST 19, 20, 21, 22, 1929

Souvenir of Masonic Convention for 1929

*To the Seventy-fourth Annual Convocation of the
Indiana Grand Lodge of Masons (Prince Hall Affiliation):*

It is a distinct honor to welcome the Grand Lodge of Masons, (Prince Hall Affiliation) to Richmond. The ideals for which this organization has stood, and for so many years continued to labor, gives it a warm place in the hearts of our citizens who might scan its record.

For seventy-four years, even prior to the Emancipation of the colored race, your organization was fighting for the highest ideals and noblest concepts of our common country.

It is fitting that you come to Richmond for the deliberations of your ancient body. In behalf of Richmond and her citizens, gladly I bid you welcome and trust that your convocation will prove of much profit to the perpetuation of nobler manhood, and the fine spirit of good fellowship and brotherhood toward all mankind.

Sincerely,

L. P. Handley

Mayor.



Wayne County Court House
Fourth and Main Streets

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS

Phone 1734
7 South Sixth Street



Paul Quinn Masonic Temple

1784—The Original Charter—1927

(COPY)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

Thus were we greeted by the Grand Lodge of England on the 29th day of September, A. L. 5784, A. D. 1784; the following said Greeting was warranted 459, granted by the Grand Lodge of England on petition of PRINCE HALL, BOSTON SMITH, THOMAS SANDERSON, and several other Masons of Boston, constituting them into a regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

"To all and ever our right Worshipful and loving Brethren, we, Thomas Hall, Earl of Effingham, Lord Howard, etc., etc., etc., acting Grand Master under the authority of His Royal Highness, Henry Frederick, Duke of Cumberland, etc., etc., etc., Grand Master of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons, send greeting:

"KNOW YE, That we, at the humble petition of our right trusty and well beloved Brethren, *Prince Hall, Boston Smith, Thomas Sanderson*, and several other Brethren residing in Boston, New England, in North America, do hereby constitute the said Brethren into a regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, under the title or denomination of the African Lodge, to be opened in Boston aforesaid, and do further, at their said petition, hereby appoint the said PRINCE HALL to be *Master*, BOSTON SMITH *Senior Warden*, and THOMAS SANDERSON *Junior Warden*, for the opening of the said Lodge, and for such further time only as shall be thought proper by the brethren thereof, it being our will that this our appointment of the above officers shall in no wise affect any future election of officers of the Lodge, but that such election shall be regulated agreeably to such by-laws of said Lodge as shall be consistent with the general laws of the society, contained in the Book of Constitutions, and we hereby will require you, the said *Prince Hall*, to take especial care that all and every one of said Brethren are, or have been regularly made Masons, and that they do observe, perform and keep all the rules and orders contained in the Book of Constitutions; and, further, that you do, from time to time, cause to be entered in a book kept for the purpose, an account of your proceedings in the Lodge, together with such rules, orders and regulations as shall be made for the good government of the same; that in no wise you will omit once in every year to send us, or our successors, Grand Master, or to *Roland Holt, Esq.*, our Deputy Grand Master, for the time being, an account in writing of your said proceedings and copies of all such rules, orders and regulations as shall be made as aforesaid, together with a list of the members of the Lodge, and such a sum of money as may suit the circumstances of the Lodge, and reasonably be expected towards the Grand Charity. Moreover, we hereby will and require you, the said *Prince Hall*, as soon as conveniently may be, to send an account in writing of what may be done by virtue of these presents.

"Given at London, under our hand and seal of Masonry, this 29th day of September, A. L., 5784, A. D. 1784.

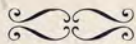
"By the GRAND MASTER'S COMMAND.

"Witness: WM. WHITE, G. S.

R. HOLT, D. G. M."



JOHN W. BURDEN
Grand Master
Marion, Indiana



CORNELIUS R. RICHARDSON
Grand Secretary
Richmond, Indiana

Richmond, Indiana

THE county seat of Wayne is located at the eastern threshold of Indiana in the heart of a rich and prosperous agricultural district. Radiating in every direction are improved highways, steam and electric railways making an accessible market for trade and transportation of the products of our State and Country.

Richmond was laid out and named by David Hoover, a member of the Society of Friends in 1816. He was the forerunner of a great settlement of Friends in the City and vicinity. As a group, they have always contributed a solid character and a wholesome conservatism to the community life, which has made it a good place to live. Friends from all over the world assemble here for their meeting and this is headquarters for many of their world-wide activities. This is the seat of Earlham College, one of their great educational institutions.

Richmond is a notable city of homes and industry. Our products have a world-wide market and are chiefly musical instruments, farming implements and lawn mowers.

The visitor notes the many signs of thrift, culture and order. The improved streets, the modern homes, the beautiful trees and the well kept yards.

Parks, school buildings, a municipally owned electric light plant, an artesian well water system, gas and other conveniences and facilities of city life are common to each section and available to all.

Richmond has a population of thirty-five thousand, and scattered throughout the City are over three thousand five hundred of our own group. Fifty per cent of these own their homes. We have representative men and women in the professional and business life of the City achieving a worthwhile success. Our people are industrious and there is no lack of gainful employment. A free public school system educates our youth. Six well established church organizations afford opportunities for worship and a better spiritual life. We have five prosperous fraternal and benevolent societies. A Community Service Branch and a Federation of Women's Clubs furnish outlet for social and educational activities. We have adopted St. Paul's characterization of his own home town.

“RICHMOND IS NO MEAN CITY”

The Underground Railroad

THE Underground Railroad is a worthy tradition that should be preserved in our Masonic archives. The atmosphere of tolerance and liberty in this community was one of the principal reasons for the residence of Bishop Wm. Paul Quinn and kindred spirits prominent in the Craft. Wayne County was a hot bed of Abolitionists.

Levi Coffin, a Quaker who hailed from North Carolina, came to Wayne County in 1822 and settled at Fountain City, was one of the original promoters of the system. He with his wife, Catherine, made their home the central station of the "Underground Railroad," which helped thousands of our race on their journey north.



Home of Levi Coffin in Fountain City

General Information —

HEADQUARTERS—The Masonic Building at No. 7 South Sixth Street, will be the headquarters of the Executive Committee of all organizations.

REGISTRATION—At the Quinn Masonic Club in the Masonic Building all Delegates and Visitors will register and be assigned to quarters. The Club will be general headquarters for the Local Executive Committee and as a rest room and meeting place for committees.

INFORMATION BOOTH—Will be located in the Club for the convenience of visitors in making inquiries. A Post Office is located in the Club Room.

DELEGATE BADGES and OFFICIAL PROGRAMS—For regularly accredited Delegates may be obtained at the Information Booth.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMS—A limited number will be placed on sale to accommodate those who desire a souvenir of the occasion at \$1.00 each.

MEETING PLACES—All sessions of the Masonic bodies at the Wayne County Court House, corner Fourth and Main Streets.

PUBLIC RECEPTION—Bethel A. M. E. Church, corner Sixth and South B Streets.

GALA NIGHT—At the Coliseum, North Seventh Street.

THE SMOKER FOR MEN ONLY—Quinn Masonic Club, Phone 1734.

The Sessions

MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 1929
WAYNE COUNTY COURT HOUSE
10 A. M.

27th Annual Convocation
St. Andrew's Grand Chapter
of Royal Arch Masons

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1929
WAYNE COUNTY COURT HOUSE
10 A. M.

26th Annual Session
Grand Commandery
Knights Templar
Jurisdiction of Indiana

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1929
WAYNE COUNTY COURT HOUSE
10 A. M.

73rd Annual Communication
Most Worshipful
Grand Lodge
of Free and Accepted Masons
of Indiana and its
Jurisdiction



Bethel A. M. E. Church where the Reception will be held

Program

For the Reception, Tuesday Evening, August 20, 1929, Bethel A. M. E. Church, for the
Knights Templar, Grand Commandry—Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons
and Grand Lodge of Master Masons of the State of Indiana

C. R. Richardson, (Acting R. W. G. Secretary) Master of Ceremonies

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| 1. Song.....Choir Bethel A. M. E. Church | 9. Response.....B. R. Motley, G. H. P. |
| 2. Invocation.....Grand Chaplain Rev. Barney Stone | 10. Orchestra |
| 3. Song.....Masonic Glee Club | 11. Welcome—Quinn Lodge.....J. H. Perkins |
| 4. Welcome—For the City of Richmond
Mayor Lawrence W. Handley | 12. Response.....J. Will Burden, (G.M.) W. M. |
| 5. Welcome—Knights Templar.....W. B. Arnold | 13. Music |
| 6. Response.....D. J. Graham, G. C. | 14. Introduction of State Officers |
| 7. Music | 15. Music |
| 8. Welcome—Royal Arch.....John Wallace | 16. Benediction |

Gala Night, Wednesday, August 21, 1929 at the Coliseum

7:30 P. M.

Band Concert and Parade.

8:00 P. M.

Big Surprise Program of High Class Artists in a Musical Revue,
Hometown Minstrel and Vaudeville Sketches.

9:30 P. M.

An Old-fashion Grand March introducing the Annual Gala Night
Ball. Music furnished by Jew Harrington.

Ellen Cole Entertainer

General Admission 50 Cents

Dancing, \$1.00 the Couple



A part of the Hot Sands Club (Shriners)

Program

FAREWELL SMOKER AND BANQUET

THURSDAY, EVENING, AUGUST 22, 1929

PAUL QUINN MASONIC CLUB ROOM

From 9 o'Clock until Good Morning

A Night Hawk Quartet and the Wash Board Orchestra

Noble Frederick A. McKinney, Toastmaster
with an ensemble of "After-Dinner" Speakers will provide
the entertainment for Master Masons only

(Curtain)

*I crept upstairs, my shoes in hand, just as the night took wing—
And I saw my wife four steps above, doing the same darn thing.*

Compliments of

JOSEPH L. BOOTH, 32°

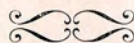
Constantine Consistory No. 25

Persian Temple No. 46, A. E. A. O. N. M. S.

Quinn Lodge No. 28, F. and A. M.

Past Secretary of Quinn Lodge No. 28

"Steadily preserve in the practice of every virtue"



Compliments of

ALICE D. BOOTH

Adah Chapter No. 21, O. E. S.

Organist, Adah Chapter No. 21, O. E. S.

Grand Commandery, K. T. and Appendant Orders of Indiana and Jusisdiction

ROSTER OF OFFICIALS

Most Em. Sir D. J. Graham.....Grand Commander
Very Em. Sir W. W. Hawkins
 Deputy Grand Commander
Em. Sir R. L. Kersey.....Grand Generalissimo
Em. Sir Thomas Curd.....Grand Captain General
Em. Sir W. F. Patterson.....Grand Senior Warden
Em. Sir W. T. Jackson.....Grand Junior Warden



Em. Sir John A. Burch.....Grand Recorder
Em. Sir Wm. F. Tompkins.....Grand Treasurer
Em. Sir W. F. Anderson.....Grand Prelate
Em. Sir Luther Bundrant...Grand Standard Bearer
Em. Sir C. C. Dockery.....Grand Sword Bearer
Em. Sir R. H. Young.....Grand Warder
Em. Sir R. C. Johnson...Grand Captain of the Guard



St. Andrew's Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Indiana

ROSTER OF OFFICIALS

Companion B. R. Motley.....M. E. G. H. Priest
Companion Albert Hawkins.....R. E. G. D. H. P.
Companion W. S. Murphy.....R. E. G. K.
Companion C. I. Brown.....R. E. G. Scribe
Companion J. C. Dawson.....R. E. G. Treasurer
Companion G. H. Gayhart.....R. E. G. Secretary
Companion Barney Stone.....R. E. G. Chaplin



Companion James Baker.....R. E. G. C. of the Host
Companion J. W. Hawkins.....R. E. G. P. S.
Companion Luther Bundrant.....R. E. G. R. A. C.
Companion W. T. Patterson..R. E. G. M. of Third V.
Companion W. W. Walden..R. E. G. M. of Second V.
Companion W. T. Jackson...R. E. G. M. of First V.
Companion W. F. Anderson.....R. E. G. Con. F. C.

DANIEL W. CAINE—A *Biography*

DANIEL W. CAINE was born in Clark County, Indiana, in the late fifties. He took the classical course in Berea College and graduated in 1878.

He began teaching in Rockport, Indiana, continued in Seymour, Indiana, and Shawnee, Illinois, until he had taught more than forty years.

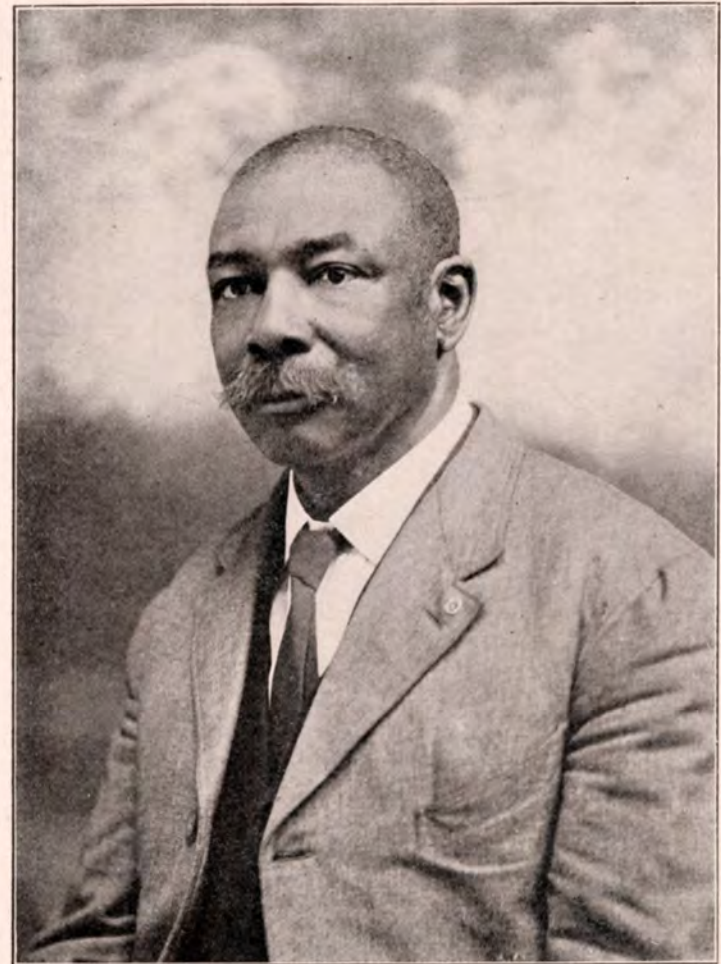
He was brought up in the lap of Masonic influence. At one time there were eighteen relatives belonging to the lodges around the Falls. His father died the Worshipful Master of Hinton Lodge. His brother for years was the Worshipful Master of Rogan Lodge, Greencastle, and he was the Worshipful Master of Britton Lodge, Seymour, Indiana. He was elected Grand Master in Jeffersonville defeating W. F. Teister of Crawfordsville. Brother Teister was a splendid Mason and one of the brightest teachers of our group in the State. Brother Caine served continuously for twenty-two years. During his administration he set thirty new lodges and he organized four old ones.

As a Masonic student, he revises all our constitutions and by-laws to date. "May his tribe increase."

Grand Lodge Officers and Their Stations

Most Worshipful Grand Master.....	John William Burden
Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.....	William Waldon
Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden.....	John F. Cooper
Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden.....	James W. Lewis
Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer.....	B. T. Shaw
Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.....	Fred D. Blake*
Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain.....	Rev. Barney Stone
Worshipful Grand Marshal.....	Junior Wake
Worshipful Senior Grand Deacon.....	Purn W. Bishop
Worshipful Junior Grand Deacon.....	James U. Dyson
Worshipful Senior Grand Steward.....	H. G. Lamonte
Worshipful Junior Grand Steward.....	W. S. Murphy
Worshipful Grand Tyler.....	A. T. Harper
Grand Trustee for Three Years.....	Cornelius R. Richardson
Grand Trustee for Two Years.....	Peter F. Hamilton
Grand Trustee for One Year.....	John Burch
Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.....	Ray D. Pinn

* Fred D. Blake—Deceased.



PAST G. M. DANIEL W. CAINE
Franklin, Indiana

James M. Townsend

JAMES M. TOWNSEND—one of Richmond's adopted sons, who had a distinguished career as churchman and public servant. No member of our group has held such commanding position in this community, or enjoyed the respect and admiration of all as did he in his day and generation. He had character, ability and the talent for making friends. He was an effective public speaker, and made a great name for himself because he was unselfish and uncompromising.

He was born in Gallipolis, Ohio, August 18, 1841. He worked his way through Oberlin College, was a Civil War Veteran, serving in the Fifty-fourth Massachusetts Infantry. He had been teaching school in Evansville for some time when he was ordained a deacon in the A. M. E. Annual Conference held in that city in 1872. He was a licentiate of the church since his eighteenth birthday. In June, 1873, he was ordained elder and assigned the vacant pastorate at Bethel A. M. E. Church in this City. This was the first of three successful pastorates here. During the

second in 1892, the present church edifice was erected. His legal residence acquired in 1873, he retained until the end of his life, and lived at No. 516 South Ninth Street.

Dr. Townsend was entered, passed and raised a Mason in the fall of 1874 and retained an active membership in Sumner Lodge as long as it survived. He was an honorary member of Quinn Lodge and one of the orators the day the Building was dedicated.

Dr. Townsend served as Missionary Secretary of his Church for nine years with offices in this city from 1878-1887. He was a member of the World's Ecumenical Conference, London, England, 1881. In 1888 he was elected a member of the State Legislature for Wayne County, the second of our group to reach that body. In 1889, President Benjamin Harrison appointed him U. S. Commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington, D. C.

During his career as churchman he served the leading churches of Columbus, Ohio, Pittsburgh and Chicago. He died in 1914 and is buried in Earlham Cemetery. He was the last survivor of Sumner Lodge No. 20.

Calvin Benson and James Fergerson

THIS record of Quinn Lodge would be incomplete without special reference to these fine old characters, who in their time contributed so much to the success and permanence of our institutions. Without the advantage of much learning, they had large native ability, and to this they had added a store of Masonic love and learning, which made them shining examples of the bright Mason. They were loyal, devoted and had the Masonic spirit.

Calvin Benson was born in North Carolina. His parents were free people and emigrated to this section in the early forties. His name appears on the roll of Britton Lodge in 1858. He was a member of Sumner Lodge throughout its history and its last Worshipful Master. He was a leading spirit in the organization of both Quinn Lodge and Adah Chapter and was a Past Master and Past Patron. In the Grand Lodge, he had served all the appointed offices and was a Past Deputy Grand Master. He died August 12, 1911.

JAMES FERGERSON, familiarly known as "Jim" was the son of the Rev. Andrew and Clarissa Fergerson, and was born October 15, 1849 in Wayne County near Milton, Indiana.

The three Fergerson brothers, namely, Andrew, John and James began their ministry in the A. M. E. Church in the days of the "circuit rider" and had a record of long and honorable service. Andrew Fergerson was one of the Past Masters of Britton Lodge No. 2, which was instituted in Dublin, Indiana, in 1858.

James Fergerson was entered, passed and raised in Jones Lodge No. 7, Cambridge City, Indiana, in the early eighties. He was one of the Charter Members of Quinn Lodge and its first Senior Deacon. He was elected Worshipful Master the first time in 1899, and was re-elected on six other occasions. He was Grand Marshal of the state five years and served in most all the appointive offices of the Grand Lodge. He died September 9, 1917. Professor Daniel W. Caine pays his memory this tribute—"He had a genial disposition, fine manners and was an ardent Mason."

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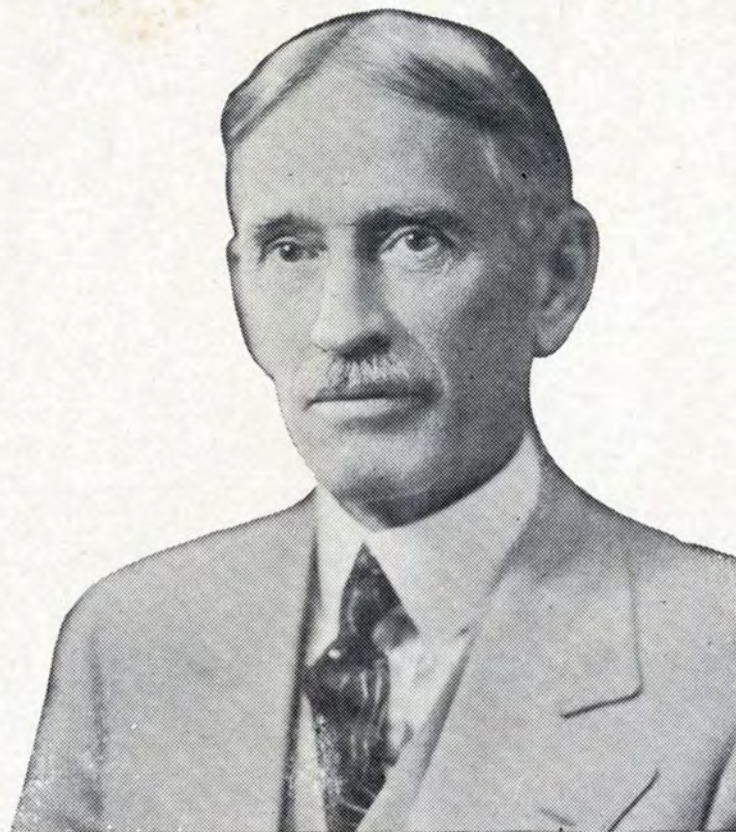


GROVELLE BUNDY, *City Detective*
38 years of continuous service.

EVERETT OXENDINE, *Lieut., Fire Dept.*
Quinn Lodge No. 28, F. and A. M.



Some of Our City Officials



MAYOR LAWRENCE A. HANDLEY



GILBERT GEE, *Driver, Fire Department*
Quinn Lodge No. 28, F. and A. M.

ORVILLE GOENS, *Pipeman, Fire Dept.*
Quinn Lodge No. 28, F. and A. M.



Pioneer Days of Prince Hall Masonry

QUINN Lodge is indebted to Prof. Daniel W. Caine for the story of its early history. During the years he was Grand Master, he collected and preserved all the ancient records. These, with his intimate acquaintance with many who were actors in those stirring days, make him a veritable storehouse of knowledge, and add the weight of wisdom and authority to his words.

"We should be mindful of some of the difficulties under which the fathers labored in planting Masonry in Indiana, and from whence it came, before we undertake to record its rise and progress in Richmond and vicinity.

Our Masonic societies started with African Lodge, in Boston, Massachusetts. This lodge was instituted under the warrant of a charter granted by the Grand Lodge of England, September 29, 1784. Prince Hall was the first Worshipful Master and for one hundred fifty years, we have honored his name and identified ourselves as of "Prince Hall Affiliation."

Prince Hall Masonry spread from Boston, Massachusetts to New York, where the famous Bayer Lodge was "set," then it came westward into Pennsylvania and on into Ohio. Some of the difficulties surrounding the movement were the long distances to travel in setting up lodges. It was a three days' journey from Cincinnati to Indianapolis. There was danger on the highways. The Fugitive Slave Law was in full operation, especially in Indiana. A free colored man in a strange neighborhood was liable to seizure and be rushed back to slavery before his white neighbors could save him. This happened in 1856 to one of our brothers traveling from Richmond to Indianapolis, and some time later at the door of a convocation in Indianapolis, another was seized and met a like fate.

Conditions were different in Richmond, which was always a safe asylum for our people. The large Quaker element in the population was responsible for the friendly atmosphere. In 1824 among the four hundred eighty-four inhabitants were eighteen colored. The number had grown to fifty in 1830. Probably two hundred men, women and children of our group were in the three thousand enumerated in 1850.

Our friends, the Quakers, were religiously opposed to secret societies, so it was impossible to rent a room in which to hold meetings, and for a time membership in the Craft was a bar to employment and cause for discharge. This was reason enough

for the mystery and secrecy with which the early brethren surrounded all their movements. It accounts for the attachment which the early lodges had for the Hall at 426 Main Street, their first meeting place, and the property of Bishop Paul Quinn.

In spite of all the difficulties Master Masons from Cincinnati, Ohio, set Union Lodge No. 1 in Indianapolis in January, 1848. The next year, the same group set King Solomon's Lodge in Madison, Indiana, at that time the largest city in the state.

In 1852, Master Masons from Dayton, Ohio, and Cincinnati, Ohio, with John G. Britton and Sidney Hinton of Indianapolis, Indiana, set Britton Lodge in this city, but we have no records of that first lodge until 1856. Times were too critical for preserving records. Some of the leading members were Calvin Outland, Samuel Bundy, W. G. Robinson, Milton White, Daniel Winslow and A. M. McIntosh. Winslow and McIntosh were young Methodist preachers, proteges of Bishop Quinn.

The men who were planting Masonry in Indiana had a well defined program. They needed at least five established lodges in order to institute a Grand Lodge. Soon they had Darnes Lodge in Terre Haute, Indiana, and R. Phillips Lodge in Carthage, Indiana. This was the old Blue River District.

The question of a Grand Lodge caused much dissension. There were two parties, one favored state Grand Lodges, the other a national organization. The latter was known as the "Compacts." The state rights or regulars were in the majority in Britton Lodge and gave valient service in the organization of the first Grand Lodge in 1856. John G. Britton was the first Grand Master of the State. James Sydney Hinton was the second. Britton was a born leader and a very capable man. Hinton was more scholarly and the ritualist. These two men alternated in the office of Grand Master for years. James Sydney Hinton was the first of four men of our group to be elected to the State Legislature.

Britton Lodge reported seventy members in 1858 and we have the complete list including the six Fellow Crafts and five E. A. Calvin Benson's name was on the roll this year. He was the first Worshipful Master of Quinn Lodge thirty-seven years later.

W. G. Robinson, a Charter member of Britton Lodge was elected second Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge. Robinson was easily the most talented man in Britton Lodge. He knew

all the ritual and from 1856 to 1870 was considered the brainiest man in the Masonic circles of Indiana. He was familiarly known as "Gas" Robinson. He and J. Norman Weaver, later a member of Sumner Lodge were proprietors of one of the leading barber shops of the city located at 619 Main Street.

Britton Lodge made a great name for herself because of her part in spreading Masonry throughout adjacent counties.

Following the leadership of "Gas" Robinson among the lodges instituted by Britton's energetic members were Randolph Lodge, Farmland, Indiana; Wayne Lodge, Newport, Indiana; Jones Lodge, Cambridge City, Indiana; Brooks Lodge, Connersville, Indiana, and Winslow Lodge, Spiceland, Indiana.

In the end Britton Lodge went down under the onslaught of the "Compacts." On two occasions, Ohio officers of Compact Lodges were able to persuade a majority to change the name and enroll with the national organization. The first time the name Clark was taken, the second time and for more than six months, it was called Jones Lodge. The regulars biding their time obtained control and changed the name back and after a Masonic trial and a few expulsions, affairs went on much as before.

The decline had set in when the war of the Rebellion came with its issues so momentous to our group. Quite a few of the younger men volunteered when the opportunity came and went to the front. The war ended in '65 and Britton Lodge had ceased to function.

It was another year before a few of the Old Guard succeeded in reorganizing the forces. They were instituted under a new name and charter and appear on the Grand Lodge rolls of 1867 as Sumner No. 21. Sumner grew and prospered, but in 1870,

there was a division and a Eureka Lodge was instituted. James Epps was Worshipful Master; James Burden, S. W.; James Foster, J. W.; Charles Lewis, Secretary. It had twenty-four members. W. G. Robinson was no doubt influential in engineering the movement and obtaining the charter. The old members who had long followed his leadership remained loyal to Sumner. The new lodge lasted but a year. It was the beginning of the decline of "Gas" Robinson, and most of Eureka's members demitted back. Robinson dropped out entirely.

Sumner Lodge after this incident enjoyed a long and harmonious history. Something of the glory of Britton was hers. 1879 was her best year reporting eighty-seven members. Among the long list of names appearing on her rolls are those of Calvin Benson, John Ferguson, Henry Bell, Richard Cannon, Dennis Copeland, James M. Townsend, J. Norman Weaver, Madison Bundy, Philander Outland, Jason Bundy, William West, Dr. John McSimpson, John Croker, Adam Britton, Willis Carter, William Carter, John Carter, Charles Echols, T. C. Scott, Simpson Oxendine and Jackson Hunter.

Sumner began to decline with the invasion of the benevolent societies with their sick and death benefits. Young men went with the new organizations. Sumner dwindled to twenty members in 1887.

That year she entertained the thirty-first annual session of the Independent Union Grand Lodge. Calvin Benson was Worshipful Master; Cornelius Curry, Senior Warden, and Madison Bundy, Junior Warden. They carried on bravely until 1892. Calvin Benson was the Worshipful Master at the last meeting when the gavel fell to sound no more.

The Building Program of Quinn Lodge

THE story of the beginning of Quinn Lodge is told in Grand Master W. F. Teister's address delivered to the Grand Lodge assembled in Muncie, August 20, 1895. "In January, I received a letter from Calvin Benson in Richmond, stating there were a number of Masons formerly belonging to Sumner Lodge, who wished to be restored to Masonic standing and to open a Lodge on May 3rd. I went over and opened an occasional lodge, entered, passed and raised eight gentlemen as Masons—instituted a lodge to be known as Quinn Lodge. Warrant ordered on the 4th of May, 1895. I appointed Calvin Benson, W. M., S. R. Oxendine,

S. W., and A. T. Guy, J. W. Brother Benson deserves great credit for working up this Lodge."

The charter members were—Calvin Benson, Simpson Oxendine, A. T. Guy, James Ferguson, Madison Bundy, John Croker, David Brown, T. C. Scott, William West, D. B. Utley, John Carter, Walter Alexander, John Gordon, Rev. I. M. Burgen, Richard Cannon, Sydney Saine, Isaac Warfield, G. D. Brown.

The lodge was instituted in the hall occupied by the Odd Fellows at the northwest corner of Fifth and Main Streets.

Quinn Lodge's Early Struggle

FOR the first ten years of its existence, after much discussion, about the year 1907 a movement was initiated to obtain for Quinn Lodge a home. The Lodge had taken on some new life among the men joining, about this time, one William B. Arnold, a postman and George W. B. Conrad, an attorney, both of whom did much to steer the older craftsmen into the proper frame of possessing mind.

The Order of Eastern Star was to be taken into consideration. As ever the women of Adah Chapter rallied and with much zeal. The 27th day of August, 1908, was the first joint meeting of the Chapter and Quinn Lodge, for the purpose of putting over a building project. Mrs. Mary Jones presided. Officers of the joint building committee chosen were Walter G. Alexander, Chairman, W. B. Arnold, Secretary, and J. Clinton Brown, Treasurer.

Unforeseen difficulties arose before the ambitions of these two organizations had been successful in realizing their lofty ambitions. Already contract to buy the old Schneider Carriage Shop on South Sixth Street had been closed by the committee, the lodges had moved in, all happy and delighted—but to find that the city condemned the building of their purchase, and declared the same unsafe for occupancy by a lodge.

Rebuilding was the order of the day. Conrad with his knowledge of the law together with Brother Arnold and the rest, secured the money to properly construct a building according to their plans and specifications. Right here came to their aid, in their most ardent struggle to own a lodge home, the splendid assistance of the late Mr. John B. Dougan, president of the Second National Bank. Too much cannot be said of the helpfulness of this philanthropic gentleman, whom more than once came to the rescue of our Masonic progenitors, financially at a time "when a fellow needed a friend."

In 1909, May 16, the dedication of the building took place. Many distinguished Masons, from the sister jurisdiction of Ohio, came to join our other brethren in Indiana, in celebration of the occasion. About 1913 the panic came. Before that time, the lodges had many an adversity which culminated in Quinn Lodge and Adah Chapter having to relinquish their ownership to the building. But like truth crushed to the earth, the Masonic Lodge and O. E. S. Chapter were to rise again. So rise, they did, and in a newer, a bigger and more glorious way. More power to the men and women who were ever on the alert to advance the cause of a Masonic Home in Richmond.

Our Building Association

THE Paul Quinn Masonic Building Association is the property holding corporation of our Masonic Group. Organized under the laws of Indiana the control and management of the corporation is vested in a board of nine Directors, three standing for election at each annual meeting of the stockholders. The By-Laws of the Association provide: "The three regular elected Trustees of Quinn Lodge and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Adah Chapter shall always be elected members of the Board of Directors. The five remaining members shall be stockholders in good and regular standing in their respective lodge or chapter. The Worshipful Master of Quinn Lodge and the Worthy Matron of Adah Chapter are ex-officio members by virtue of their office. To safeguard the distribution of building stock, no valid sale or transfer can be made, except to a member of Quinn Lodge or

Adah Chapter in good and regular standing. The lodge or chapter to have priority rights of purchase."

On April 1, 1929, there were fifty-four stockholders of record with three hundred and five shares of stock of the par value of ten dollars each outstanding. An additional five shares has been issued to Adah Chapter since that date. The lodge and chapter own ninety shares and fifty-four members of the two organizations own various amounts ranging from one to ten shares. The circumstances that gave rise to the organization of the Building Association and its operations over the intervening years are not without interest. They contain much of the worthwhile history of Quinn Lodge.

Five years after the building was dedicated, the mortgage held by Mr. John B. Dougan, was foreclosed and the Lodge and Chapter were again tenants paying a monthly rental of thirty

dollars. All plans for raising sufficient revenue had failed. Finally interest charges were defaulted and the disaster came. The plan of organizing a stock company and selling the property



The First Trustees and Building Committee

to ourselves was to come seven years later. Meanwhile, it was a time of depression.

August 18, 1915, the thirty members of the Lodge entertained the Fifty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. Herbert Bundy was in the chair with John Wallace, S. W., and Cassius Ward, J. W. The occasion was inspirational and helped end the slump which the loss of the building had precipitated.

John A. Wallace was elected Worshipful Master and installed December, 1916. The first three years of his administration were marked by much activity. It was apparent that younger men were coming in control and the old order was passing. Many new members were received and there was some talk "about buying the building." He was re-elected for the fourth term, and at the stated meeting in January, 1920, the question was discussed on the floor of the Lodge and a majority favored the appointment of a Committee to investigate the terms on which the building could be purchased. The Worshipful Master appointed Walter A. Bass, Cornelius R. Richardson, William B. Arnold,

John W. Hall, Fred McKinney, Thomas Doty and Otis Wynn.

This committee subsequently reported: "The building could be purchased and if five hundred dollars be raised, an option could be secured." The report was adopted by the Lodge and the Committee was instructed to make a canvass for subscriptions to the "option fund." The committee arranged a banquet for the evening of March 3, 1920, and at that function, amid much enthusiasm, one hundred and fifty was pledged for Quinn Lodge and enough ten dollar subscriptions secured to raise the amount needed. On March 13th, the five hundred was paid, which secured the option to purchase the building for five thousand, nine hundred dollars.

On April, 1920, a written contract drawn up and signed by Mrs. Helen Dougan, owner, setting forth the purchase price and terms of the sale, received the signature of representatives of



The present Board of Directors of the Building Association Quinn Lodge and Adah Chapter. Again, we had launched a new try for an old goal—the ownership of a Lodge Home.

Some of the enthusiasm having died, it was not so easy to raise the second payment. Just here, the idea was advanced the

whole enterprise be incorporated and stock be sold to the Lodges and membership. It took time to put the campaign over. Leonard B. Rhodes was advanced to the East, December, 1920. There were fifty-two members enrolled, the number grew to sixty-four during the year. The incorporation movement receiving the sanction of both Lodge and Chapter, application was made under the title "The Paul Quinn Masonic Building Association."



A corner in the Club Room of Quinn Lodge

Articles of Incorporation were issued May 14, 1921. The incorporators were Thomas Doty, Otis Wynn, J. W. Hall, J. Henry Perkins, Fred McKinney, Martha A. McCurdy and Letta Fox. At the first meeting of the Association, May 21, 1921, shares of Building Stock were issued to all who had paid ten dollar subscriptions to the Building Fund. Quinn Lodge was represented by her Trustees, and received twenty shares. The following officers were elected: Thomas Doty, President; Otis Wynn, Secretary, and Harry Burden, Treasurer. Management and control of the building and all matters pertaining to the debt were taken over by the Association.

A stock selling campaign was launched and each year there-

after the proceeds of the stock sales provided ample funds to take care of the fixed charges. The wisdom of the new movement was immediately apparent. It not only provided sound financial footing for the enterprise, but removed from the meetings of the Lodge and Chapter, transactions foreign to their purpose, and enabled those who were really interested opportunity to carry on unhampered.

Cornelius R. Richardson served the Craft as Worshipful Master from 1922-1926. His was a notable administration. The membership grew from sixty-four to ninety-nine. An ardent champion of the building project, he brought to the Building Association all the weight and influence the Master's chair wields in the Craft.

On March 23, 1923, a warranty deed was issued to the Building Association. On October 29, 1925, complete title and interest to the property at No. 7 South Sixth Street passed to the Association. A four days' celebration beginning November 2, 1925 was held to commemorate the achievement of the twenty year ambition of our Masonic Societies to Own a Lodge Home.

The Building Debt cancelled, during the administration of Archie Harper and the present W. M. J. H. Perkins, the Association has accepted the leadership in many activities. The Paul Quinn Masonic Club was sponsored and organized by the Association July 17, 1926. The second floor of the building was converted into club quarters and completely furnished out of the funds of the Association.

Quinn Lodge pays the Association a nominal rent and the Master Masons in the voluntary organization pay a membership fee of one dollar the year. The Association assuming all costs of maintenance and upkeep. Practically all the members of Quinn Lodge have loyally supported the Club during its three years of operation and much good fellowship and social benefit has been derived.

In 1928, the Association decorated and refurnished the Lodge Room. All equipment being suited to the purposes of the Craft. The Improvement and Repair account shows that \$3,120.65 has been expended since the mortgage was cancelled October 29, 1925, and we have a balance in our Sinking Fund.

Quinn Lodge is proud to welcome this Conclave of Indiana Mason's under her own vine and fig tree.

Seventy-seven years of Prince Hall Masonry in this community has quickened a spirit that will not take failure for denial or mere numbers for success.

1929 Directory *Churches, Fraternities, Clubs, Etc.*

Churches

Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
Corner Ninth and South B Sts.
Rev. John S. Crittenden, Pastor

Second Baptist Church
North G, between 13th and 14th Sts.
Rev. F. W. Weathers, Pastor

Mt. Olive Baptist Church
Corner 11th and North H Sts.
Rev. J. W. Robinson, Pastor

Bethel A. M. E. Church
Corner Sixth and South B Sts.
Rev. H. H. Black, Pastor

Wesleyan Methodist Church
South 10th St. between C and E
Rev. A. P. Mayle, Pastor

Church of God and Saints of Christ
Corner Ninth and Perry Sts.
Green Daniels, Elder

Adventist Church
Corner North D and Ft. Wayne Ave.
Elder: Ford

Fraternities

Eureka Lodge No. 3, K. of P.
I. N. Winburn, C. C.
Levi Taylor, K. of P. and S.

Wayne Lodge 2791, G. U. O. of O. F.
Harry Smith, N. G.
Lincoln Moore, P. S.

Onyx Lodge No. 479, I. B. P. O. E. of W.
C. R. Richardson, E. R.
J. M. Scott, Secretary

Court of Calanthe
Mrs. Ada Ware, W. C.
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Household of Ruth
Mrs. Josephine Shucraft, N. G.
Mrs. Edith Holland, Secretary

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Daisy Garrett, President
Bertha Burden, Secretary

Sallie Steward Guild
Federated in 1923
Ada Ware, President
Melva Richardson, Secretary

Home Culture Club
Federated in 1915
Lillian Bailey, President
Agnes Hanna, Secretary

Mary B. Talbert Club
Federated in 1922
Estella Carter, President
Grace Furman, Secretary

City Federation
Gertrude Carter Williams, President
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"The Old Guard"

WALTER A. ALEXANDER, Dudley B. Utley and John W. Gordon are the only survivors of the lodge constituted under dispensation by Grand Master W. Teister, May 3, 1895. Brother Alexander is still actively interested in Quinn Lodge. He was Chairman of the Building Committee and first Board of Trustees and is a stockholder in the Building Association. He is one of the surviving charter members of Adah Chapter O. E. S. and a Past Patron of that body.

Brother D. B. Utley was a member of Mt. Moriah, Louisville, Kentucky, in the 80's. He was restored to Masonic standing when Quinn Lodge was organized, and has been a loyal supporter throughout the years. He was one of the original stockholders of the Building Association. On the anniversary of his seventieth birthday, Quinn Lodge exempted him from the payment of financial obligations and made him a life member in good and regular standing.

Brother John W. Gordon was elected Worshipful Master in 1897, and is the oldest survivor of that rank.



JACKSON HUNTER

Jackson Hunter. He was the first man of color to serve as a Deputy Sheriff in this County. He was the father of Ottis Hunter and a grandfather of Fred J. McKinney, who is now active in fraternal and civic affairs of this community.

IMMEDIATELY following the Civil War, when Masonry among persons of color was in its infancy, about this time and even during that period of history when the Fugitive Slave law was being enforced, here in Richmond lived Jackson Hunter and his wife. Mr. Hunter was born in Tennessee in the year 1818. He was a tailor by trade and served his apprenticeship with Andrew Johnson, who later became President of the United States.

The Hunter home still stands in South Tenth Street and is now occupied by one of his children. This place was a mecca for persons of color during the trying days of the underground railroad. Mrs. Hunter, the wife, was a member of the Eastern Star. The husband and father was a thirty-second degree Mason. He took an active part in the affairs of the City, and operated a merchant's tailor shop for many years here.

In the Grand Jurors for the April Term of the Wayne Circuit Court, in the year 1887, we find enlisted the name of

Brother William A. Coggins was raised a Mason May 10, 1897. He was a charter member of Transvaal Chapter R. A. M. No. 12.

Back in the old days he was the ritualist and authority on our ancient laws and customs.

Brothers Gordon and Coggins are honored guests of Quinn Lodge at this time. Brother Gordon resides in Los Angeles and Brother Coggins in Pasadena, California. Brother Gordon returns after an absence of thirty-two years and Brother Coggins after an absence of fifteen years. They have endured the fatigues and possible dangers of a two thousand mile journey to be present at this Grand Session.

Time and distance have never been able to sever their connection with Quinn Lodge or dim their interest in its activities. They demonstrate the strength of our Masonic ties and the endurance of the fraternal bond.

The home coming of Brother Gordon and Coggins brings a pleasure to the Craft. All the latch strings are hanging out, and you are Welcome, Brothers, Welcome.

RICHMOND has always been known as liberal towards persons of color. In the meanwhile, the latter have played no small part in contributing to the growth and development of this city. Among the Friends from North Carolina, in the early history of the community, came many of the ancestors of our race. In this number was William Tate, a strong character, who did much to help shape and mold a sentiment of wholesome race relationship here.

Mr. Tate was born in Guifford County, North Carolina, in 1832. Along with the covered wagons he came to help establish this new empire of freedom. By trade, he was a barber. But, he was more than that, he was a man of strong personal courage, splendid business sagacity and a real leader in Richmond's earlier life.

In politics, in business and as a financier, he carved for himself a place in the life of the city of his adoption. He was a worthy contemporary of Paul Quinn and James M. Townsend. They labored together with the others, that we might now enjoy a fuller and richer life. When Mr. Tate died, May 24, 1904, he was worth about \$75,000. Among others, he has two children now in Richmond engaged in business. His son Charles H. Tate is the Treasurer of Quinn Lodge.



WILLIAM TATE



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Past Matron
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Brown, Clinton
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Byrd, Agnes
Bundy, Alice
Burden, Lucretia
Bass, Howard R.

Booth, Joseph L.
Dethridge, Luvina
Dillard, John Q.
Doty, Thomas D.
Fox, Lettie B.
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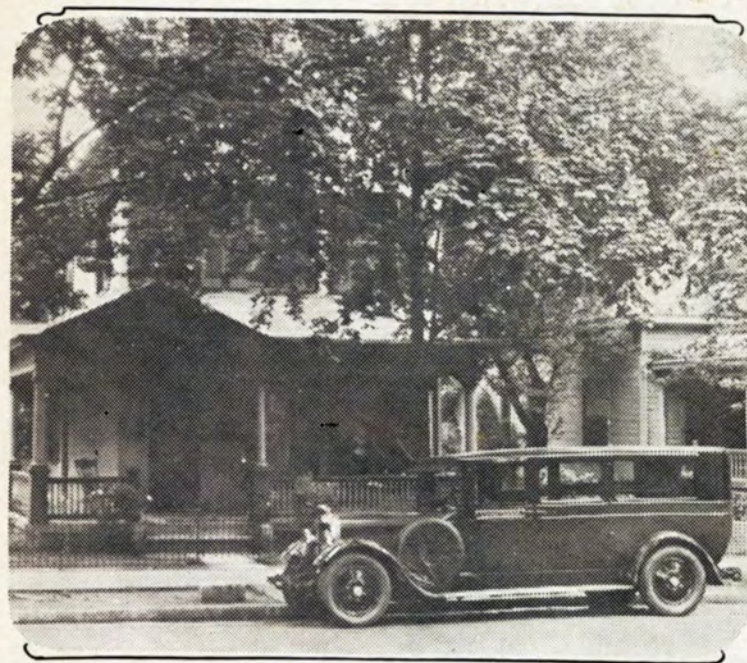
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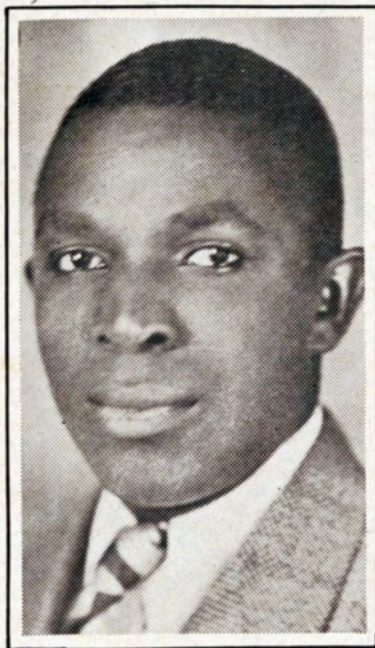
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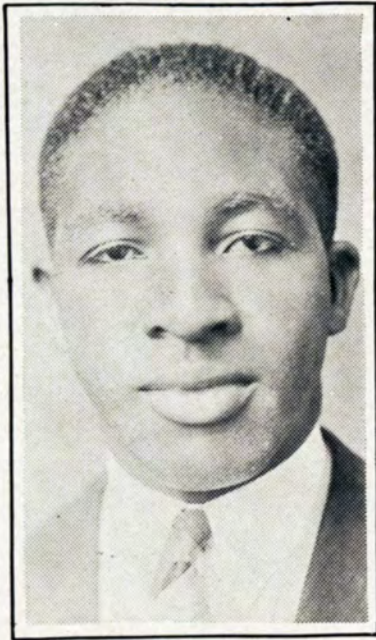
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Senior Deacon, 1929
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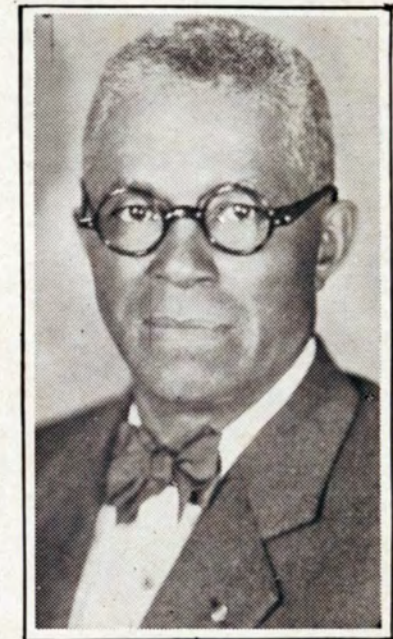


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Sir Thomas D. Doty.....	Prelate	Sir E. W. Gordon.....	Secretary
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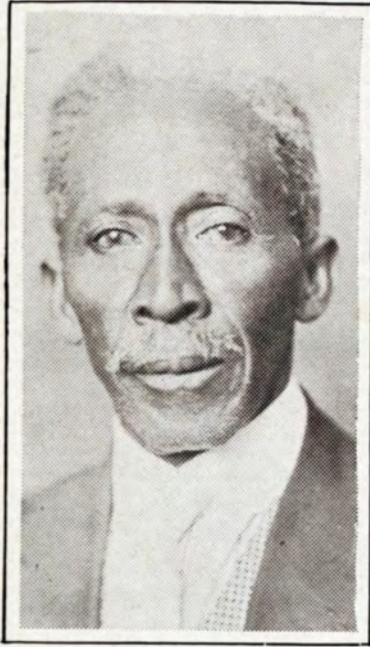
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*To live not long but well, I pray
Clean, upright, honest, and sincere;
Let me be big in little things,
And brave when trials come.
Let me neither condemn nor scorn my weaker brother
But always know he does the best he can;
And that none but God
Can completely understand,
If sickness, failure, or suffering should be my fate,
Give me courage to meet
Each, as a soldier, bravely;
And when the last Great Adventure comes,
May I go smiling.*

And it will be hard to find in all literature a better
philosophy of life and work than the prize poem,

"For This I Pray"



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Past Grand King R. A. Chapter
Past Master Quinn Lodge
Past Grand Trustee



JOHN A. WALLACE

Adah Chapter No. 21, O. E. S.

PRIOR to 1888 our women's Masonic auxiliaries were called Courts. Salome Court No. 11 was organized in Richmond, in 1876, and at one time had forty-five members. The Courts were under Ohio jurisdiction and the grand body was called the Grand Court of the West. The Grand Chapter of O. E. S. was organized October 25, 1888. Salome Court never affiliated with this body. Three charter members of the Chapter had belonged to the Court. Adah Chapter was instituted under warrant of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. of the State of Indiana and the Charter is dated August 10, 1895.

The charter members were: Mary E. Jones, Lulu Brown, George D. Brown, Sally Brown, Mary J. Waugh, Hattie J. Anderson, Eliza Carter, Jessie Brown, Isabella Scott, Rosa Alexander, Walter Alexander and Anna Epps.

Mary E. Jones was the first Worthy Matron, George D. Brown, Worthy Patron. The first matron is still an active and influential member and served a seventh term in 1928.

The Chapter has enjoyed an unbroken history of progress and usefulness. Thirty-two members were reported to the Grand Chapter the first year of organization, and at no time in the thirty-four years has there been a lapse below that figure.

The following members on the roll the first year are still honored members of the Chapter: Mary E. Jones, Fannie Archie, Walter Alexander, Sarah Peake, Sarah Utley, Letitia Finn and Alice Bundy.

Adah Chapter always cooperated with Quinn Lodge in the years of effort to acquire a Lodge home. The first one hundred fifty dollars paid to bind the bargain securing our present location was appropriated from her Treasury. The piano still doing service in the Club was her gift on Dedication Day, and many other furnishings represent her tangible interest.

The loss of the building in 1914 was a blow to the Chapter. She had depleted her Treasury in the venture and many of the members had made personal sacrifice. A fine spirit of loyalty and devotion was manifested during these trying times.

Unmindful of the past when the new campaign for funds was started, the Chapter fell into line. Her members bought stock at every call and the Chapter is the second largest share holder in the corporation.

Adah Chapter has always taken interest in the work of the State Grand Chapter, has given loyal support to the State Home and promptly paid her quota for its maintenance. Her representatives have filled every elective and appointive office except Worthy Grand Matron. Three Grand Sessions have been entertained in Richmond. The twelfth in 1900, the twenty-third in 1911 and the fortieth in 1928, met here and each time went away with renewed determination to carry on their splendid undertakings.

Maintaining the the ancient land marks of our Masonic tradition, Adah Chapter has established a record for service as Hand Maiden of Free Masonry in this Community.

PAST OFFICERS OF ADAH CHAPTER

Matrons

Mary E. Jones	Rosa Alexander
Elizabeth Sharpe	Martha A. McCurdy
Alice Bundy	Lettie Fox
Wyona Speed	Melva Richardson
Sarah Utley	Lillian Bailey
Amanda Coggins	Ollie Vena



Patrons

George D. Brown	Clinton Brown
I. M. Burgen	Gabriel Anderson
Calvin Benson	Fred McKinney
D. W. Goens	Boston Dethridge
Walter Alexander	Otis Wynn
Simpson Oxendine	



Some of the Officers and Members of
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Otis Wynn.....	W. P.	Lillie Bailey.....	Secretary
Ophelia Faulkner.....	A. M.	Melva Richardson	Treasurer

Members

Alexander, Walter	Doty, Carrie	Perkins, Helene
Alexander, Kitty	Fox, Lettie	Patterson, Ruah
Arnold, Isabel	Fox, Minnie	Reid, Alice
Archey, Fannie	Fox, Ersie	Ross, Mae
Burden, Lucretia	Faulkner, Mary	Speed, Rachel
Bundy, Alice	Hiatt, Ella	Spinner, Mary
Bundy, Bessie	Harper, Marie	Scott, Marie
Burley, Pansey	Howard, Mary J.	Sharp, Lizzie
Bass, Josephine	Howard, Ruth	Tate, Carolyn
Booth, Alice	Hall, Maud	Trevar, Letricia
Byrd, Agnes	Hall, Venus	Utley, Sarah
Cooke, Bell	Irvin, Tillie	Vena, Ulysses
Crane, Fannie	Jones, Mary E.	Walker, Andrew
Coggins, Amanda	Lauding, Alberta	Walker, Viola
Coggins, Wm. A.	McCurdy, Martha A.	Walker, Minnie
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PAUL QUINN

MISSIONARY, pioneer preacher and bishop of the A. M. E. Church, was a distinguished resident of this City from 1840 to 1870.

Masons respect the memory of Paul Quinn. As a Patron Saint, we have incorporated his name in our Lodge, Building Association and Club. The cut presented in this publication is from a picture hanging on our walls formerly the property of Daniel D. Winslow, a Charter Member of Britton Lodge. He was never an enrolled member of our Lodge, but our traditions say he had been invested with our rites in a New York Lodge and could prove himself to be a Mason. He gave the Fraternity the benefit of his influence and in many ways contributed to its establishment. At the first Grand Lodge held in 1856 an interesting note appears in the minutes. "Prof. Mumford of Wilber-

force, W. C. Gibson of Louisville, Kentucky, and Bishop Paul Quinn were introduced."

He was born in the West Indies in 1800. We have only a fragmentary knowledge of his early life. He had been a licensed preacher in Eastern Pennsylvania some time when he joined the Philadelphia Conference in 1824. His first assignment was the organization of a circuit in Buck County, Pennsylvania. He rode horseback laying out this circuit and always claimed he was the first circuit rider in the Church.

All his early labors show extraordinary ability as a worker in a pioneer field. This record obtained for him the assignment upon which his fame as a churchman rests. In 1831, Bishop Morris Brown at the Philadelphia quarterly meeting commis-

sioned him "to go West and build up the Church" and gave him the credentials of a traveling missionary and evangelist. It was a commission that Quinn had hoped to receive. It is said that he rode out of the city the next morning headed for the west. Apparently all the preparations that he made were a good night's sleep, saddle his horse and start. It was a long time before his Philadelphia friends saw him in person, but the reports that came drifting back told of the "mighty work he was doing in the West."

He permitted nothing to interfere with his mission and by 1834 had organized more Methodist societies than were in the connection, when he received his commission. At the General Conference held that year in Philadelphia, he was made Fourth Bishop of the Church and assigned overseer of the Episcopal District his labors had created.

The first recorded appearance of Paul Quinn in this city was in 1838. In the log house of Cornelius Overman at No. 419 (Pearl) Street—Fifth Street, he organized a Methodist Society with sixteen members. This subsequently took the name of the Bethel A. M. E. Church now located at Sixth and South "B" Streets. It was the first church of that connection in the State.

No doubt the friendly attitude of the citizens towards his race decided him in establishing a residence in Richmond. He had many staunch friends among the Quakers and often preached in their meetinghouses. He and wife (they had no children) lived for a number of years at No. 223 South (Washington) Third Street. Later he purchased the brick house at No. 221 South (Marion) Sixth Street. Here full of honors and enjoying the esteem and respect of all, he entertained his friends and many of the notable men and women of his day. To the end of his life, he clung to the habits of his "circuit rider days." Preaching and ministering in the churches of his District both large and small. Riding horseback to distant conferences and meetings, always giving that personal oversight and attention to the affairs of the church, that had brought him great reputation and honor.

He is buried in Earlham Cemetery. The plain granite block marking his last resting place has this inscription: "1800-1870, Paul Quinn, Bishop of the A. M. E. Church." This tribute might have been added: "He was the Founder of the Church in the Northwest Territory."

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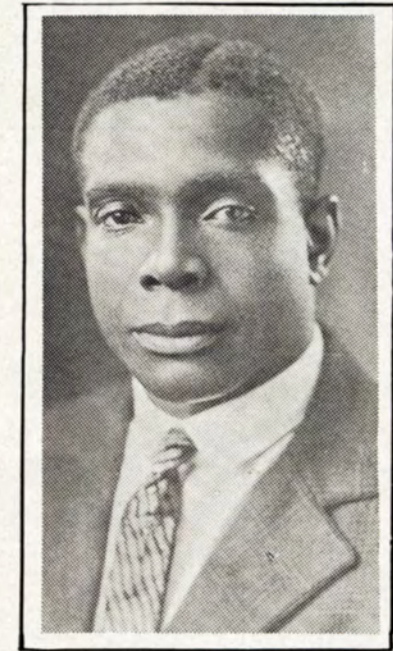
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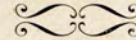
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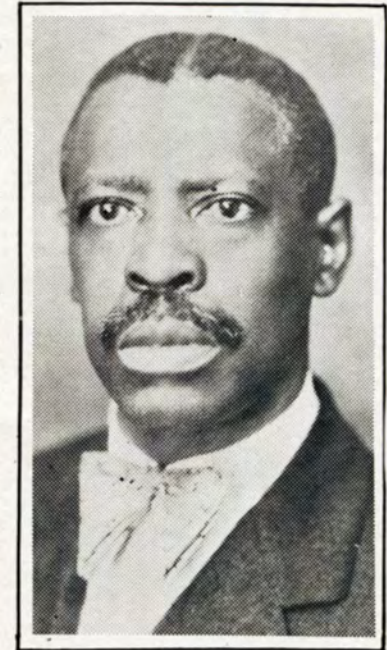
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